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The identified references were cited in an Office Action issued on January 9, 2007, for counterparts Japanese Application Nos. 1998-046020 filed on January 9, 2007. Copies of the references and the Office Action are submitted herewith. Not all of the cited references are in English. Machine language translations for the three older references are not available, however, the relevance of all the cited references is discussed in the above cited Japanese Office Action (see its accompanying English translation).

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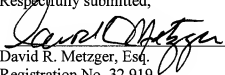
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